## PRESS RELEASE

## MIDDLETOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

On Sunday July 5, at approximately 11:45 PM the Middletown Police Department received a report of a despondent 22 year old male on the Arrigoni Bridge threatening to commit suicide by jumping into the Connecticut River. Upon arrival two Officers witnessed the male jump from the bridge into the river. It is believed that the male had a seven month old male child with him at the time of the call to the dispatch center but no child was seen with him when he jumped. At this time the child is unaccounted for. The suicidal male was rescued from the river by the Middletown Fire Department and transported to Hartford Hospital via Life Star Medical Helicopter. The search for the child is being continued by the Middletown Police Department, Connecticut State Police, Middletown Fire Department, Middletown's South District Fire Department and Portland Fire Department. We are also contacting known associates of the suicidal male to see if the child was left in the care of another person. If anyone has any information about this incident please contact the Middletown Police Department at 860-638-4000